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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (*Currently amended*) A detergent composition comprising:
- a) from 5% to about 70% of a C_{10} - C_{20} sulfated or sulfonated anionic surfactant ~~either than sodium lauryl sulfate,~~
 - b) from 0.01% to 10%, of a dye maintenance polymer or oligomer which is a member selected from the group consisting of imidazole-epichlorohydrin adducts, imidazole-piperazine-epichlorohydrin adducts, piperazine-epichlorohydrin adducts, and oxidized imidazole-epichlorohydrin adducts, said polymer or oligomer having at least three net positive charges per molecule and having a Dye Maintenance Parameter, as determined by the Dye Maintenance Parameter Test, of greater than 0.23; and ~~wherein the dye maintenance polymer is not a polyethyleneimine or alkoxylated derivative thereof.~~

Claims 2 and 3 (*Cancel*)

4. (*Previously presented*) The detergent composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises a detergent enzyme and an enzyme stabilization system.
5. (*Previously presented*) The detergent composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises an inorganic peroxygen bleaching compound, which is selected from the group consisting of alkali metal salts of perborate, percarbonate and mixtures thereof, and a bleach activator, which is nonanoyloxybenzene sulfonate.
6. (*Original*) The detergent composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises a cellulose enzyme.
7. (*Previously presented*) The detergent composition of claim 1, comprising an additional surfactant selected from the group consisting of nonionic, cationic, amphoteric, and zwitterionic surfactants and mixtures thereof.

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Claims 8-13 (*Canceled*)

14. (*Previously presented*) A detergent composition according to claim 1 wherein the dye maintenance polymer or oligomer has a Dye Maintenance Parameter, as determined by the Dye Maintenance Parameter Test, of greater than 0.9.

15. (*Previously presented*) A detergent composition according to claim 1, wherein the anionic surfactant is an alkyl benzene sulfonate.

16. (*Previously presented*) A detergent composition according to claim 15 wherein said alkyl benzene sulfonate comprises from about 9% to about 50%, by weight, of said composition.

17. (*Previously presented*) A detergent composition according to claim 1 wherein the anionic surfactant is an alkyl ethoxy sulfate.

18. (*Previously presented*) A detergent composition according to Claim 17 wherein said alkyl ethoxy sulfate comprises from about 9% to about 50%, by weight, of said composition.